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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION of: Confirmation Number: 4015
PETER SHIMM

Application No.: 10/086,441 Group Art Unit: 3736

Filed: March 4, 2002 Examiner: Unassigned

For: APPARATUS FOR LOCATING AND ANESTHETIZING NERVES

APPARATUS FOR LOCATING AND ANESTHETIZING NERVE GROUPS

**Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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AMENDMENT/RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith is an amendment/response for this application.

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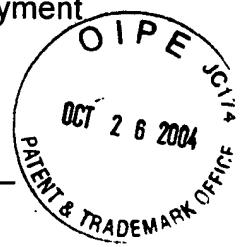
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated September 27, 2004, Applicant elects Group I, Claims 1-20 and 25-27, with traverse. A restriction is improper “[i]f the search and examination of an entire application can be made without serious burden.” MPEP §803. Applicant submits that Group I, which recites a “hands-free syringe controller,” is so related to Group II, which recites a “foot-actuated syringe controller,” that examination of both groups would not create a serious burden.

In view of the above, it is believed that this application is in condition for allowance, and such a Notice is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,
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